

#9 INT. Summary

Interview Summary	Application No. 09/761,143	Applicant(s) Nair et al.
	Examiner Patricia Patten	Group Art Unit 1651

8/22/01 P.P.

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Patricia Patten

(3) _____

(2) Mr. Ian McLeod

(4) _____

Date of Interview Aug 22, 2001

Type: a) Telephonic b) Video Conference
 c) Personal [copy is given to 1) applicant 2) applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes e) No. If yes, brief description:

Claim(s) discussed: None

Identification of prior art discussed:
none

Agreement with respect to the claims f) was reached. g) was not reached. h) N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

Mr. McLeod called to relay that he, in representation of his client, disagreed with the restriction requirement with regard to the Non-responsive letter sent on 8/9/01 citing election by original presentation. The matter was discussed amongst Primary J. Weber, as well as SPE M. Wityshyn. The conclusion reached was to examine the amended claims on the merits, thereby removing the restriction requirement for this particular case. Thus, the restriction requirement has been removed, and claims 3-6, 15-18 and 27-34 will be examined on the merits.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

i) It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview (if box is checked).

Unless the paragraph above has been checked, THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.